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The proposed settlement, in a nutshell, stinks.

What about protections for the 'not-for-profit' organizations? Such as any Linux distribution. Moreover Apache web server software. In other words, software organizations which do not meet Microsofts definition of a "business," (see Section III (D) and Section III (J)(2)) of the proposed settlement. They are left utterly out in the cold. As you well know Linux, as stated by Microsoft personnel is Microsoft's biggest "threat."

Recommendation: Microsoft be vertically split into three separate commercial companies. Then, the newly created companies would have to compete against each other. Naturally those newly formed companies would be unable to buy each other out or collaborate with each other, etc.

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"The consequence of apathy is ... tyranny."